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37) [115782] Re: QRPP Arrives in Tucson
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44) [115789] Re: Lettuce not... bash...
by "Rob Matherly" <kc0bom@arrl.net>
45) [115790] on OS Security
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46) [115791] Re: Lettuce not... bash...
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47) [115792] Re: Lettuce not... bash...
by "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>
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by "Walt Amos" <k8cv@netzero.net>
49) [115794] SANTA talking to kids on 18.147!
by "Michael Connor" <nq7k@mtarvin.com>
50) [115795] Sale = The 3rd Annual QRP Contest Calendar for 2002
by "Ron Polityka" <wb3aal@fast.net>
51) [115796] HK3AXY700 mw ...# 113 !!
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by IamSF5@aol.com
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by William R Colbert <w5xe@juno.com>
56) [115801] OT - sorry but I NEED HELP - T H A N K S
by "Mike Standbridge" <ve7mst@goldcity.net>
57) [115802] OT: More XP info & links (long)
by "Dean Rachwitz" <drachwitz@home.com>

Date: Sat, 22 Dec 2001 16:11:23 -0800
From: <k7fd@hamhobby.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [115746] Tea-rrific Tiny Tornado...
Message-ID: <005401c18b46\$5bbc6750\$6401a8c0@John>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I finally got some precious time off to start my Tiny Tornado...I LOVE the enclosure, a gift from my qrp friend Frank AA7XA...hope you enjoy it to -

<http://w3.cablespeed.com/~cqdx/tiny.htm>

Happy Holidays to all...

73 John K7FD

Date: Sat, 22 Dec 2001 18:29:36 -0500
From: w4bws@juno.com
To: bdh@cyberbound.net
Cc: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [115747] Re: Cathode keying voltage?
Message-ID: <20011222.192038.-163471.3.W4BWS@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain
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I learned at an early age-8 years old- to keep the base and keyer lever of my J-38 connected to the ground side of the key plug. I also learned not to put my fingers inside the key with the power on the transmitter. But to make sure, I still put tape on the key arm and the lever that moved sideways for tuning. I guess I learned that "once burned-once learned".

Don W4BWS

Could this be the real reason for the "dust covers" on some keys?
> 73/72/71! de Brice KA8MAV
>
> One of my hand keys had an arrangement that kept the moving piece
> insulated from the circuit--that saved me quite a few shocks.
>
>

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Date: Sat, 22 Dec 2001 19:05:13 -0500
From: w4bws@juno.com
To: tracy@bytemark.com
Cc: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [115748] Re: Straight Key source
Message-ID: <20011222.192038.-163471.9.W4BWS@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I was in our local ham supply store, TEDCO Electronics in Melbourne, FL today and saw a small hand key in a plastic bag selling for about \$9.00. Don't know who makes it but if interested I can supply the address and phone number for anyone to call and order one or a dozen.

As usual, no fiduciary connection, yada, yada.

Ted Woodbury W4LR, is just a great guy and has been the ham's friend for 30 years.

Don W4BWS

On Thu, 20 Dec 2001 11:31:57 -0500 "Tracy Markham" <tracy@bytemark.com> writes:

>
>
> I got my first key at radio shack for a couple of bucks back in the
> early
> 70's ... it had a really thick square lever that didn't flex at all
> when
> keying, and a nice crackle finish base. I've never been able to use
> the
> 'thin' ones as the flex throws me off. Plus I just dig the 'bang' it
> makes
> when I key it. The 'navy knob' on it was cool too.
>
> Anyone know who made these things for us? If there is an equivalent
> available today (um, less than \$50 ...) ?
>
> I still have mine, have replated the gold contacts as I done wore
> it
> completely off :)
>
> Tracy N4LGH
>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU]On
> Behalf Of
> Steve Lawrence
> Sent: Thursday, December 20, 2001 2:07 PM
> To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion
> Subject: Re: Straight Key source
>
> Jim,
> I just ordered a straight key for this very same purpose: SKN. I
> ended
> up ordering an interesting looking design from Doug Hauff, KE6RIE,
> as I

> was also interested in a key for portable work. You might check
> this
> out...
>
> <http://www.fix.net/~slmachco/>
>
> 73,
> Steve
> aa8af
>
>
>
>
>
> "Jim Stamper" <jstamper@shentel.net>
> Sent by: owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
> 12/19/2001 06:24 PM
> Please respond to jstamper
>
>
> To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion"
> <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
> cc:
> Subject: Straight Key source
>
>
> Anybody know a source for a very inexpensive straight key--something
> like
> a
> J-38. Want full size, not the Christmas tree ornament. Too clumsy
> for
> that. Just want something to try on Straight Key night. Some years
> ago I
> lent my old one to some kids I was trying to interest in taking the
> exam.
> Never got it back and they never took the exam.
>
> jim-
> KG4LDY
> James H. Stamper
> 519 Park Avenue
> Woodstock, VA 22664-1260
> 540-459-8350
>
>
>

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Date: Sat, 22 Dec 2001 16:28:22 -0800
From: "Trevor Jacobs" <fxtech@earthlink.net>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.edu
Subject: [115749] JA6PA on 28.060
Message-ID: <20011223002822.31123.qmail@earthlink.net>
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Disposition: inline
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
MIME-Version: 1.0

Nao JA6PA on 28.060 at 0:10 UTC running QRP on a K2! I just worked him with my FT-817 at 2 watts with AA Cells and an MP-1...go get him!

72/73's

Trev

KG6CYN

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Date: Sat, 22 Dec 2001 19:50:02 -0500
From: "Tom Dooley" <tdooley@atl.mediaone.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [115750] OT & way too long! Re: Phone spectrum land grab, as expected
Message-ID: <010501c18b4b\$c2250a60\$084f3842@atl.mediaone.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

While I am not taking a position in this e-mail regarding the refarming of the bands, I have one point that I would like to ask that goes past this "position" that the ARRL is taking.

If the ARRL is such a bad organization, then what is the alternative organization that we can turn to represent our perspective in the fight to keep our hobby/service at the level that we want? Without an alternative for representation, NO organization is worse than a bad organization.
(Before anyone rips me here, don't tell me that letting the FCC make all

decisions on our behalf is better than anything the ARRL is doing).

Rather than blasting the ARRL, let's get involved and start making an impact on how it is run. If our way is better, then let's not spend 10 years starting a new organization, let's work for changes in the existing one. Changing the existing one will take less time and effort.

Now that may be the issue, the time and effort. It takes virtually no effort to criticize an organization. It takes work to make a difference. The ones running the ARRL are making a difference, so if you disagree with them, make a difference also by getting involved.

I am speaking from experience from another hobby. There will be those that will only participate (meaning PAY DUES) in the organizations that ask them what the organization should do for them and ONLY them. That's fine, but these same people never have a REAL voice, because they never get directly involved, beyond paying dues. It is much easier to take a view from the "cheap seats" and criticize the team that they want to fail. The only problem is that when the team fails, it goes out of business! Then they have no team!

Not everyone who disagrees with the ARRL is wrong, in fact, good discussions make all organizations better. Those that don't have time to get involved have good discussion points also. All I am saying is let's work together to make ARRL better.

I am not taking a side for or against the ARRL on the issue of refarming the bands I am just asking the question of the alternatives to ARRL. It seems to my small mind that getting with the ARRL and making it "better" is light years ahead of a nonexistent organization. Calling the ARRL crap is accomplishing NOTHING IMHO. Make a difference, if it really matters to you, beyond the mighty keyboard.

I do have a position regarding the refarming of the bands, but that is my opinion and everyone will decide their position regardless of my opinion. I will work my way through the ARRL on my opinion, until I see the light of an alternative organization that stands ready to fight for us (and is respected enough to be listened to by the powers that be).

I really want all posters to take themselves a little less seriously and allow others to have their opinions. The venom that we too often see on this list is quite bad and makes us all seem slightly less human to outsiders viewing us.

Have a great and Merry Christmas. I just hope that Santa is out of coal lumps before he gets to my house! I really doubt it though!

72 de K4TJD Tom

Dooley's corollary to Murphy's law, Murphy is an optimist!

K2 #360

ARCI #9886

snip

"There is a answer to ARRL going through with the changes is everyone drop membership for a year and see if that makes a difference to them"

"The league is going to recommend whatever will increase general ham numbers, and their membership. Increased membership means increased ad revenue and increases their perception that ARRL speaks for all hams."

"....but the numbers will not be impressive. We will see the number of phone operators increase because it's a no-brainer.

"The league is simply perpetuating what the masses want ham radio to become. I don't like it, but I see it."

"But, the League can engage in membership babble....after all, how many of the existing members, and more importantly the new members, have any interest in something as outmoded as CW?"

Date: Sat, 22 Dec 2001 17:02:28 -0800
From: "Glenn Maclean" <wa7spy@attbi.com>
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [115751] Help with Heathkit Oscilloscope
Message-ID: <002801c18b4d\$7e5496a0\$0301a8c0@attbi.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I was given an old Heathkit Laboratory Oscilloscope. There is no display when it is turned on. I have no manual for this unit. The power button comes on and the tubes all glow. I have no manual for this unit. I can not find any model number. It just says Heathkit Laboratory Oscilloscope on the face plate. Some of the capacitors appear to have leaked fluid out of them. There is an oily residue on the bottom of the chassis.

Is anyone on this list interested in restoring this unit? I am willing to give it away to someone who wants to restore it.
Please contact me off list.

Thanks,
Glenn WA7SPY

Date: Sat, 22 Dec 2001 20:27:44 -0500
From: "kw3u@warwick.net" <kw3u@warwick.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [115752] 80 Mtr Novice thoughts
Message-ID: <3C25330F.1DFCEC1B@warwick.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

As an almost nightly user of 3710 - 3750 I will eventually be pushed downward but there really is lotsa room for cw on 80, some of the longstanding traffic nets may have to adjust a bit also but a minor inconvenience.

As 3700-3750 stands now in the evening theres lots of cw and voice already and

by and large most everyone gets along, great canadian opr's, and many VE/VA cw ops also. The slow speed novices have been gone for some time, (the last shift moved them fm 3750 to 3725/3675) but it is still a haven in the evenings for the beginning cw enthusiast as well as BA's with the old novice rocks.

I think 80 can handle the new proposal just fine(assuming of course the new phone occupants can conduct themselves in an orderly fashion like our good neighbors up north).

Courtesy and respectfulness go an awful long way to make this a very enjoyable hobby and I usually find lots of it on 80.

72 Jim kw3u

Date: Sat, 22 Dec 2001 21:03:23 -0500
From: "Brice D. Hornback" <bdh@cyberbound.net>
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [115753] *IMPORTANT* TINY-TORNADO UPDATE
Message-ID: <10bb01c18b56\$01384dc0\$7001a8c0@lwrnc1.in.home.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Ok... as if I didn't mess things up enough already... Here's a few corrections to the REV2c manual.

On page 10 of the REV2c manual it states that SW1 switches in C13 to bypass C12. That SHOULD read SW1 switches in C15 to bypass C14.

On the REV2c Parts Layout Diagram, the parts from left to right along the bottom row above the key (J1) it should be L1, C5, R4, C9. The parts are listed CORRECTLY in the schematic and the parts list.

An updated Parts Layout Diagram can be viewed and printed from:
<http://www.qrpp-i.com/Tiny-Tornado-PLD.jpg>

The resistors are off by the multiplier due to a mistake in ordering. I will be sending out replacements to everyone as I want to fix this mistake. They are listed correctly on the schematic and parts list. They are very common value 1/4 watt resistors.

Again... I'm extremely sorry for the mistakes. Please let me know if you find anything else wrong.

73/72/71! de Brice KA8MAV

Date: Sat, 22 Dec 2001 21:15:07 -0500
From: "George Heron N2APB" <n2apb@erols.com>
To: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [115754] "Homebrew Showcase" photo gallery from NJQRP meeting
Message-ID: <00da01c18b57\$a7ca8e90\$21c53ad0@GHLTP4>
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Hi folks -

I don't normally point out results from our local monthly NJQRP meetings, but the photos from our recent meeting are really quite stunning and I think they'd be of great interest to many here on this list.

About 35 QRPers showed up for our monthly meeting and brought the usual project or two to show off to all others. This is usually our format and attendance numbers, but this time it seemed that the stars were aligned and we had an incredible array of equipment.

Additionally, we started a little practice of giving each homebrewer give a few minute's "Brag Time" in front of the group, describing what the project was, how he made it and anything else that he thought might be particularly interesting to others. This has now become a very pleasant feature of the meetings. The owner gets to brag and we all get to listen (taking notes to copy in our own workshops at home :-)

You can see the Homebrew Showcase at
<http://www.njqrp.org/meetings/11-18-01/index.html>

The format and layout of the page provides simple thumbnails for all photos, along with descriptions and links to both lo-res and hi-res images so you can see the detail.

Hope you all enjoy it!

73, George N2APB
n2apb@amsat.org

Date: Sat, 22 Dec 2001 21:19:15 -0500
From: wkhibbert@juno.com
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [115755] Autek RF-1 Replies
Message-ID: <20011222.211916.-412151.0.wkhibbert@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Well, I got a dozen replies. Pardon me for lumping them together here.

1 - The LCD is soldered to the board, the tips of the pins are bent out

and the connections are tacked to the top of the foils.

2 - No conductive rubber pads. I have seen that in other gear and was actually expecting it here.

3 - I usually get home long after Autek closes for the day but will be around during the daytime between Xmas and New Years so I will give them a ring then,

4 - I have not found on on-board adjustment for the LCD contrast. I still have one board to lift. Maybe on the bottom of that one.

I hope that I can get the unit running. I actually have used it to verify inductance more than I have used it for antenna work. Until this problem, I had no complaints on the unit at all.

73, Wm. Keith Hibbert, WB2VUO, TC/WNY ARRL Section
President, Brockport Amateur Radio Klub
"My night light runs more power than my Rig!!!"
mailto:wb2vuo@arrl.net

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Date: Sat, 22 Dec 2001 21:24:26 -0500
From: " Robert L. Kellogg" <ae4ic@nr.infi.net>
To: KL-QRP Reflector <KLQRP@knightlites.org>,
Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [115756] Milliwatt Contest - Club Stations
Message-ID: <3C25405A.6390A5CE@nr.infi.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Guys,

Several Clubs have indicated to me they will be operating in the Milliwatt contest, giving out big bonus points. Unfortunately, when my email system crashed, I lost the list of clubs.

We need to announce to QRP-L which clubs are participating, so if your club will be on the air any time (even just one night) Please just announce it directly to QRP-L, since contest time is near.

WQ4RP will be one the air all three nights.

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73,
Bob Kellogg, AE4IC
Prolably, not nececelery. -Benny Hill

Date: Sat, 22 Dec 2001 20:20:15 -0600
From: "Mark Andrews \ (KE4IOF\)" <KE4IOF@ke4iof.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [115757] Re: 5763 Tx- It works!
Message-ID: <008a01c18b58\$5d0cfe00\$e886aec7@oemcomputer>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
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Sounds cool! Would you consider sharing the schematic with the rest of us?

73,

Mark, KE4IOF

>

> Just got the 6AW8 - 5763 transmitter working! Puts out up to 9.5 watts
> right now. But that's variable down to 4.3 watts, so can stay legal :-)

Date: Sat, 22 Dec 2001 21:34:27 -0600
From: "Michael Melland" <w9wis@charter.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>,
<njqrp@njqrp.org>, <forsale-swap@qth.net>
Subject: [115758] [OT] FS: HP 5316B Frequency Counter
Message-ID: <000901c18b62\$b9ca8e00\$0549a842@computer>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
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I'm selling one of my frequency counters to pay off another test equipment purchase.... yeah I know.... it's a sickness <grin>.

The Counter is a HP 5316B Universal Counter. This model was dropped in 1998/9 from the HP line so it's a very recent model. My new Test Equipment

Connection catalog has them listed for sale used at \$1250 (I think original cost was \$3200) but of course depending on features and condition I have seen them as low as \$299 from reputable dealers. This one is in excellent condition.... no scratches, no dents no known electrical flaws and it works great. Only flaw is I recently lost a small knob trim cap on one of the sensitivity knobs. It's in the shack somewhere I just can't find it on the floor <grin>. I can send a digital pic if someone is interested. The counter also comes with the HP Instruction Manual. Asking \$180 shipped...

Brief specs: .1 Hz to 100 MHz Universal Programmable Counter. 7 digit resolution with scientific exponent feature. Measure freq., period, ratio, time interval, totalize. 2 channels, 10mV sensitivity to 10 MHz - 25 mV to 100 MHz, x1 and x20 attenuator, fully adj. trigger and sensitivity level. GPIB programmable, small size.

Regards

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Michael Melland, W9WIS
Winneconne, Wisconsin USA EN54pc
qrp-l #1656 - qrparci # 9875 - iparc #252
ars #1075 - <http://www.qsl.net/w9wis>

Date: Sat, 22 Dec 2001 21:00:57 -0700
From: w0yse@juno.com
To: psk31@bipt106.bi.ehu.es, QRP-L@LEHIGH.EDU
Subject: [115759] W1SQLPSK+WARBLER
Message-ID: <20011222.210058.-186921.2.w0yse@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain
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Gang,

I discovered a way to get a correct frequency readout using the W1SQLPSK program with the Warbler. Since the Warbler is a LSB PSK rig, the frequencies were reading out wrong and the program was assuming that the rig was on USB. By typing in a Transmitter Frequency of NEGATIVE 3.582 MHz I was able to trick the program into giving the correct frequency after it adds the tone frequency to the xmtr freq.

I dont know if this was already common knowledge, but I figured it best to share it just in case anyone else might want to try it with LSB.

72/73

Neil Klagge, w0yse, Layton Utah

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Date: Sat, 22 Dec 2001 23:17:40 -0500

From: "George Heron N2APB" <n2apb@erols.com>

To: "EPAQRP" <epaqrp-1@lehigh.edu>, "QRP-L" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>,
"NJQRP" <njqrp@njqrp.org>

Subject: [115760] Atlanticon 2002 QRP Forum - April 5 & 6

Message-ID: <00e601c18b68\$e0d268f0\$21c53ad0@GHLTP4>

MIME-Version: 1.0

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charset="iso-8859-1"

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"Atlanticon" is a weekend of QRP fun, presentations and social gathering happening annually in the springtime on the east coast, sponsored by the NJQRP Club. QRPers from all over the US (and internationally) show up for this annual event now in its fourth year.

QRP luminaries presenting papers this coming year are:

Paul Harden, NA5N

Dave Benson, K1SWL

Dave Gauding, NF0R

Joe Everhart, N2CX

Jim Kortge, K8IQY

Ron Polityka, WB3AAL

Each of these guys is right now working on his presentation topic - with my insider knowledge I can tell you it's going to be a stellar performance from each one. The talks start at 8:30am on that Saturday and extend throughout the day - each presentation being one hour in length with overhead slides, working demonstrations and QRP exercises along the way.

Master of Ceremonies will again be Rich Arland, K7SZ, author of the wildly successful "QRP Power" column in QST for the last three years. Rich's entertaining charm, grace and wit keeps the QRPers in the audience awake and on the edge of their seats in between presentations.

Each pre-registered attendee will receive an "Atlanticon Info Package" in late January containing directions, hotel information, highlights of the Baltimore area and other goodies to make his/her stay pleasant.

Also, as is our Atlanticon custom, each pre-registered attendee will receive

the "Atlanticon Kit", which this year is a very unique project that everyone will be able to identify with. As in past years, the Saturday night "event" will be geared around this Kit and we'll be having a grand time with it. (Those who do not pre-register but show up at the door on Friday or Saturday will also receive the Atlanticon Kit.)

Again our custom, each attending QRPer will receive the "Atlanticon Compendium" - a collection of the original papers presented by our illustrious speaker staff. In past years, the Compendium has become a collector's item due to its content and later usefulness as reference in the shack.

Atlanticon is again being held on April 5 & 6 -- the same weekend as the Greater Baltimore Hamboree and Computerfest, which is possibly the most popular hamfest in the mid-Atlantic region. Many QRPers in attendance at Atlanticon find it very enjoyable to catch an early Saturday at the Fairgrounds' hamfest, and then do it again even longer on Sunday morning.

The hotel this year is the Holiday Inn at Cromwell Bridge, with special room rates of \$79 for our group, recently refurbished sleeping rooms, great meeting rooms, and a nice bar & restaurant. This hotel is different from where we stayed in previous years (sold out due to weddings), but is even nicer and more accommodating. The Cromwell Bridge Holiday Inn is located right off the northern part of I-695 loop around Baltimore MD, and is about a 40 minute cab/shuttle ride from BWI airport.

Atlanticon starts at 7:30 on Friday night, April 5th with a social evening where we meet up with old friends and make new ones. Vendors and QRPers alike often show their projects at tables around the large banquet room in which we meet, right up until 11pm.

Saturday April 6th is the main event, wherein the illustrious QRP speaking staff delivers the presentations from 8:30 until 5pm, with an optional luncheon buffet midday. We break for individual dinnertime cuisine at local restaurants and reconvene at 7:30 for an evening of wild QRP fun - a homebrew building contest and the Atlanticon Event mentioned before. We normally go until 11pm and then many of us then carry on in the hotel bar, quenching the insatiable QRP thirsts (both knowledge and liquid :-)

Sunday morning finds most QRPers hustling over to the hamfest for a morning of looking for that gem of a deal during the last hours of the 'fest. The Timonium Fairgrounds is only a short 7 mile car ride away and is well worth the trip.

REGISTRATION: Send \$10 check or MO to "George Heron, N2APB", 2419 Feather Mae Ct, Forest Hill, MD 21050. Gets you a badge, Compendium, Atlanticon Info Package, Atlanticon Kit, and the opportunity of a lifetime to hear such a notable lineup of QRP speakers.

HOTEL: Holiday Inn Cromwell Bridge, 1100 Cromwell Bridge Rd, Baltimore, MD.
Reservations phone 410-823-4410 and ask for the Atlanticon rate of \$79 for
Friday and Saturday nights. Hotel website at
http://www.sixcontinentshotels.com/holiday-inn?_franchisee=BALCB&jrunsessionid=1005053815745286261

Greater Baltimore HAMBOREE & Computerfest: Held at the Timonium
Fairgrounds. GBH&C website is at: <http://www.gbhc.org/>

Over 170 QRPers normally attend the Atlanticon weekends ... sure hope you
can join us for our very special QRP extravaganza this coming April 5 & 6.
Mark your calendars and make your travel reservations early to get the good
rates and we'll see you there!

73, George N2APB n2apb@amsat.org
& Joe, N2CX n2cx@voicenet.com
for the NJQRP Club at <http://www.njqrp.org>

PS: Atlanticon is being held this time on the same weekend as "Arkiecon",
the QRP weekend in Arkansas sponsored by the Ft. Smith QRP Group. Jay
Bromley, W5JAY and I will be coordinating announcements of our respective
events in the coming weeks - not "competing", as QRPers will have the chance
to attend *either* superb event based on their location and their preference
of travel distances.

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 00:47:15 EST
From: DYARNES@aol.com
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [115761] QRPP Arrives in Tucson
Message-ID: <c3.1b3b8f7f.2956c9e3@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

My Fall issue of QRPP arrived today--Leaping lizards Batman, am I the first
to get one??? Haven't seen anyone else post that they received theirs, but
then again I don't seem to be getting all the mail from QRP-l. AOL is up to
its old tricks again. Anyway folks, as Doug promised, the issue is floating
around out there with all that Xmas mail. Lots of good stuff as usual, so
keep your eyes open for the "mailperson"!

Had a very nice visit by phone with Jay, W5JAY the other evening. He was
just checking to see if I was hiding under a rock or something. I kinda
slowed down lately because of work (it's budget time folks!), and then my

gall bladder and I parted company at the end of November.

Happy holidays to all my friends here on QRP-L!

72 de Dave W7AQK

P.S. Anybody out there thinking they want to upgrade to Windows XP, I suggest you think twice! I tried it and it was a disaster. It seemed like everything had a conflict with it. Then I couldn't uninstall it, so had to reformat my drive. That is no easy task either. Caveat Emptor re Windows XP!

D.

Date: Sat, 22 Dec 2001 22:28:56 -0800
From: Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [115762] Re: Phone spectrum land grab, as expected
Message-ID: <20011223062856.GA28454@oz.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline

On Sat, Dec 22, 2001 at 02:36:30PM -0700, Francis Callahan wrote:
> There is a answer to ARRL going through with the changes is everyone drop
> membership for a year and see if that makes a difference to them 72 Cal KF7ET

Since I am a life member, I figure that might be just a bit too painful.

Besides, this is just a committee recommendation, not a board decision.

In many countries there is no allocation by mode, but it happens by gentlemen's agreement. Maybe we don't have enough gentlemen here, however, and need to be regulated.

The only band where I see CW operation filling up the current sub-band is 20 meters. 20 doesn't have a novice allocation anyway, so isn't affected here. The big problem with 40 is the different sub-bands between Region 2 and the rest of the world, along with broadcast QRM. If we are successful at the next WARC in obtaining a larger exclusive 40 m. amateur allocation for Regions 1 and 3, that should ease things quite a bit. Although I operate CW probably 75-80 percent of the time, I feel the proposed changes make sense. 200 kHz on 80, 125 kHz on 40, 175 on 15 and the current 300 kHz on 10 meters are more than enough for the current level of activity. The phone portions are much more crowded.

Bob, N7XY

Date: Sat, 22 Dec 2001 23:35:43 -0700
From: "Adrian Weiss" <aweiss@usd.edu>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [115763] KC-1 Keyer Stuck @ 22wpm
Message-ID: <3465130833.3083334651@usd.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Language: en
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi gang:

Strange.... The speed adjusting pot stopped working on my Wilderness KC-1 keyer. The first couple of times I did the command "S", it reported back "22" (wpm). Then, it no longer sends the speed "22", but instead sends "T" everytime I query the speed with the "S" command.

This has me stumped -- I'm in AZ without the manual. I can't figure why the speed hung up at 22wpm -- unless that was the last setting before the pot open-circuited. Would the chip store the last setting and continue to use it in the future?

I'd appreciate any help.

72, Ade

Date: Sat, 22 Dec 2001 22:42:43 -0800
From: Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [115764] Re: TA3DD for WAC ...Europe or Asia ????
Message-ID: <20011223064243.GB28454@oz.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline

On Sat, Dec 22, 2001 at 05:34:28PM +0100, Ingo, DK3RED wrote:
> Hello George,

>
> > Just worked Fazil , TA3DD with 100 mw and wondering which continent he is
> > ????
>
> AS. Only TA1 is EU. TA2 - TA9 AS. TA0 (islands) AS or EU.
> QSL via KB2MS (callbook winter 2002)

I've seen both KB2MS and KZ5R0 listed as his manager, but the recent listings all say KZ5R0, so perhaps there was a change earlier this year. I worked Fazil (with 5 watts) in September and received a QSL in about a month via KZ5R0. I've worked a few other TA stations, but never could get a card until TA3DD.

Bob, N7XY

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Bob Nielsen, N7XY
Bainbridge Island, WA
IOTA NA-065, USI WA-028S

nielsen@oz.net
<http://www.oz.net/~nielsen>

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 06:31:37 -0500
From: "Jim Stamper" <jstamper@shentel.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [115765] Windows XP
Message-ID: <000f01c18ba5\$62820f40\$b3556fcc@jim>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I agree with Dave. I had a lot of problems with XP. If you get it be prepared to reinstall everything you have.

jim-
KG4LDY
James H. Stamper
519 Park Avenue
Woodstock, VA 22664-1260
540-459-8350

Dave W7AQK wrote

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reformat my drive. That is no easy task either. Caveat Emptor re Windows XP!

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 07:54:40 -0500
From: John Payne <paynej1@strato.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [115766] RE: Windows XP
Message-ID: <XRDBWUB0C73FDC84YKGRQTQPL71D894.3c25d410@john>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="windows-1252"

I have to agree with Jim and Dave. DON'T DO IT! WinXP ate my computer and would not give it back. It left some kind of file or footprint on my HD and I had to low-level format then re-partition and reformat again, then took 6 full tries to get Win98 to run right again. WinXP is a disaster! What a rip-off for the poor consumer who doesn't have just the right hardware! Even Software "designed for XP" was nothing but trouble.

Just my humble opinion, but one I have seen repeated elsewhere.

73 and Merry Christmas de John, N4FLJ

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 13:06:28 +0000
From: Dragon Singer <WM-Scace@wiu.edu>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [115767] OT:Re: Windows XP
Message-ID: <5.1.0.14.0.20011223130549.01c2fae8@pop3.wiu.edu>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Hi Gang,
Wayne K9DI es Sequoia here. Heres is a link to a story you really need to read.
<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A7050-2001Dec20.html>
this story concerns a major security flaw in XP.

Respectfully and Sincerely Yours,

Wayne M. Scace

k9di@arrl.net
LICQ# 315313
FISTS# 4409
QRP-L# 2313
FPQRP-L# 217
SOC# 452
ARS # 1,082
Zombie # 800
<http://k9di.homestead.com/K9DIHam1.html>

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 08:21:27 -0500
From: "Brice D. Hornback" <bdh@cyberbound.net>
To: <paynej1@strato.net>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [115768] Re: Windows XP
Message-ID: <00bb01c18bb4\$ba4d8060\$7001a8c0@lwinc1.in.home.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

XP is great if you do a fresh install. Upgrading is inviting disaster.

73/72/71! de Brice KA8MAV
(WinNT 4, Win2K, & Win98)

----- Original Message -----

From: "John Payne" <paynej1@strato.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Sunday, December 23, 2001 7:54 AM
Subject: RE: Windows XP

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Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 08:56:22 -0800
From: "Dave Benson" <nn1g@earthlink.net>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [115769] OT: 6M is open
Message-ID: <003001c18bd2\$c1bd82a0\$e0e1d73f@pavilion>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

gang-

6 meters is open to Europe - 9 AM EST- here in Connecticut

73- Dave, K1SWL

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 14:41:51 +0000
From: Larry Cahoon <lejek@erols.com>
To: bdh@cyberbound.net,
 "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [115770] Re: Windows XP
Message-ID: <5.1.0.14.0.20011223142931.021e0748@pop.erols.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

The same thing was said when Widows 98 came out. A fresh install was fine, upgrading was a royal disaster. I never went to 98 from 95, when I got a new PC it came with XP. No major problems. It is not problem free, but has a lot fewer crashes then 95 ever had, or I have on the kid's PC that only had 98. In over two months with the PC I've only had three complete crashes - I did the same thing all three times. So something is working better.

73 de Larry.....WD3P in MD
<http://www.qsl.net/wd3p/>

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>(WinNT 4, Win2K, & Win98)

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 06:43:57 -0800 (PST)
From: Chuck Carpenter <W5USJ@go.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [115771] 6 Meters Open
Message-ID: <5064248.1009118637171.JavaMail.W5USJ@gomailjtp04>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

Hearing just snatches of some CW about 50.1 here in this part of TX so far at 1400
+ UTC.

At 08:56 AM 12/23/01 -0800, Dave Benson wrote:

>gang-
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>6 meters is open to Europe - 9 AM EST- here in Connecticut
>
>73- Dave, K1SWL
>
>
>WARNING: The remainder of this message has not been transferred.
>The estimated size of this message is 1998 bytes.
>Click on the server retrieve icon above and check mail again to get the whole
thing. If the server retrieve icon is not showing, then this message is no longer
on the server.
>
Chuck, w5usj, Point, Rains Co TX EM22cv

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Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 15:20:34 +0000
From: Arthur Moe <kb7ww@uswest.net>
To: nn1g@earthlink.net
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [115772] Re: OT: 6M is open

Message-ID: <3C25F642.867B5631@uswest.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Dave and All

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Yesterday worked a station in FL using a dx handie with its internal whip.

C U on 6
72
Art
KB7WW

Dave Benson wrote:

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> gang-
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> 6 meters is open to Europe - 9 AM EST- here in Connecticut
>
> 73- Dave, K1SWL

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 09:21:52 -0600 (CST)
From: Bruce Rattray <rattray@gpfn.sk.ca>
To: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [115773] Re: NorCal Cap kit Contents
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.33.0112230921050.16644-1000000@neale.gpfn.sk.ca>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Say Karl, did anything ever happen re the NorCal measurement kit?....
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year OM!

..72/73 - Bruce (VE5RC+VE5QRP) QRP-C#1 QRP-L#886 ARCI#9683 Zombie#272
A-1 Operator Club - 10/10# 944 - QRP Borg#1 - Whiner#10 -
- VE5QRP SOC#11 - VE5RC SOC#12 - oo#148 - K2#2032 -
"QRP! How sweet it is!" "I am da man wit "DAH" paddle!"

On Sun, 11 Nov 2001, Karl F. Larsen wrote:

>
> Hang on guys. NorCal is almost ready to market their great new measurement
> kit! It measures resistors, caps and inductors and presents the data to
> you in CW at 45 wpm. Great way to get your speed up...:-)
>

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 08:37:31 -0700
From: "Rod NØRC" <rod@n0rc.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>,
"cq-c-1" <CQCLIST@yahoogroups.com>, <ncarc@qth.net>
Subject: [115774] FS: Linksys BEFSR11
Message-ID: <008601c18bc7\$bcb7cf00\$6401a8c0@greyrock>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Before I take this to eBay:

Linksys EtherFast 4-Port Cable/DSL Router, ~1year old, \$65 shipped
CONUS. (Locals can pickup for \$60)

Looks and works like new, I replaced it with a 802.11b device.

Happy Holidays
73, Rod NØRC
Ft Collins, CO

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 08:44:42 -0700
From: "Dean Rachwitz" <drachwitz@home.com>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [115775] RE: Windows XP
Message-ID: <000301c18bc8\$bd22d060\$0100a8c0@mesa1.az.home.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

For what its worth, I do this for a living (maintain computers and

networks). I though I'd offer my experiences with XP.

I have been running Windows XP since roughly March, just before the public beta first came out. Since then, I've done roughly a dozen installs, some upgrades to either Win2K or Win.098K, some clean installs. In all cases the worst problem I've had was a lockup during the installation, which was solved by simply rebooting and beginning the install again.

Windows XP has been as good or better than Windows 2000 in stability and reliability. Very few times has it locked up (in hundreds of hours of operation), and then it was almost surely due to the bleeding edge games and hardware I run at times. XP significantly exceeds Win2K's hardware and software compatibility.

It is such an improvement over '98 and ME that I highly recommend that you install it. If you decide to install it, I recommend running the compatibility check before you do. With your existing operating system running, pop in the XP CD, and choose 'Check system compatibility.' This will show you where you are likely to have problems (with hardware or software you currently have installed) so you can plan accordingly.

XP has run fine for me on everything from a 300MHz Celeron with 64MB RAM, to my newer Athlon XP 1600+ system, with all manner of hardware, some pieces 3 and 4 years old. While I have found a few devices that XP didn't have device drivers for, anything with Win2K drivers will work. I have even had things XP said would NOT work, work just fine.

Any time you upgrade your operating system, I highly recommend you do a clean install. You just have a better chance of a smooth running system afterwards. However, the upgrades I have done with XP are working just fine.

Whenever you perform major changes to your computer's hardware or software, you should back up all of your critical data. Any time you change your operating system, be prepared to lose any and all of your data and programs. CD burners and media are so cheap these days, everyone should have one, and they make an excellent way to back up your data before an OS upgrade.

Again, I highly recommend XP. My eXperiences with it have been great, and the new features it offers are really enjoyable.

So there you go - my more-than-two-cents worth. I'll be happy to answer any questions you have regarding XP (or any other subject matter).

73,

Dean

-----Original Message-----

From: owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU] On Behalf Of John Payne
Sent: Sunday, December 23, 2001 5:55 AM
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion
Subject: RE: Windows XP

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Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 09:47:27 -0600
From: George Franklin <w0av@juno.com>
To: mmorrow@companet.net
Cc: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [115776] Re: ARRL and Band Threat
Message-ID: <20011223.094728.-1818657.0.w0av@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hello Mike & All,

A bit of trivia.

Just prior to Dec. 7, 1941 FCC announced that 7.2 to 7.3 Mhz. would be opened to A3 (AM phone) around the first of the year (1942).

I was ready to go on 40M AM, but WW2 intervened.

72/73 de George/W0AV
Hamming since '35
Enjoying all the toob discussions

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 10:55:01 -0500
From: "Bill Northup" <foxhunter@lightband.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [115777] RE: OT: 6M is open
Message-ID: <FFECILBIFOHGAI FDPPBMMEBNCBAA.foxhunter@lightband.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="us-ascii"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

The band is still open at 10:45 just worked a GM0 from the boston area

bill

-----Original Message-----

From: owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU] On Behalf Of Arthur Moe
Sent: Sunday, December 23, 2001 10:21 AM
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion
Subject: Re: OT: 6M is open

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Dave Benson wrote:

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> 73- Dave, K1SWL

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 09:58:24 -0600
From: George Franklin <w0av@juno.com>
To: fxtech@earthlink.net
Cc: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [115778] Re: Tube messages
Message-ID: <20011223.095824.-1818657.1.w0av@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi Trev & All,

Yep, the SB100 was a really fine rig.

I bought the kit and built it when it first came out, around 1966 if I recall correctly.

In my opinion, the weakest link (!) was the phenolic circuit board which turned black around the tube sockets because of the heat being dissipated.

If it doesn't work, recheck the soldering of the tube socket contacts to the runs on the PCB, as these connections often failed.

Have fun and happy holidays.

72 de George/W0AV
Hamming since '35

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 10:57:08 -0500
From: hamjoel@juno.com
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu, fpqrp-1@mpna.com
Subject: [115779] Lettuce not... bash...
Message-ID: <20011223.110001.-16622295.0.hamjoel@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

The arrl has for many years represented its members well and its views line up with its members views...and it has the power to get things done...

by the time the league surveys its members, has members communicate with board members, you have some of the finest hams, well

informed hams, making the best decisions possible for amateur radio...

it has occurred to me the best way to be immune from adverse or perceived adverse decisions is to get the extra licence...This automatically puts u above the rest and no one will muck with u....

For the rest of us, be prepared to move ur freq of operation up or down a bit and realize the extras and arrl are doing this for our best benefit, after all they're extra's ...and know better than us...

hey, everything is right with the world... we have a new well thought band plan, the extra class hasn't been mucked with, and arrl has saved the amateur community once again....and the average ham gets to marvel at the wisdom of it all....

Long live the ARRL, it has represented the amateur community well....and continues to do so...

ke1la joel
in maine
in the sneaux

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Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 11:29:41 -0500
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: hamjoel@juno.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [115780] Re: Lettuce not... bash...
Message-ID: <3C260675.5DE8B69A@erols.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Joel,

Oh wow, I didn't recognize you because you dropped your accent! You are exactly right, the League does represent its members and it does have the power to get things done. There is no other organization in ham radio that has the clout or the position!

I agree with you about the Extra Class license. The single driving factor in my getting the Extra was the incentive licensing debacle. It took away many of the privileges I had become accustomed to and the only way I could get them back was to get the Extra!

One other point, I know Wayne Green is not popular with many on this

list, but for as long as I have been reading his magazines, he has steadfastly maintains that the reason he maintains his League membership is so he has a vote in what they do! If you are not a member, you will only be a bystander in whatever they do to your hobby! It's cheap insurance!

73

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 11:53:25 -0500
From: "George Osier" <gosier@twcnny.rr.com>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [115781] 7X4AN 700 MW ...#112 !!!
Message-ID: <000701c18bd2\$56f25680\$0e714342@twcnny.rr.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hello all !!!!

Just got 7X4AN on 28004 with 700 mw a minute ago !!!!

112 !!!!!!!

72s

George Osier , N2JNZ / QRPP

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 12:01:48 -0500
From: Donn Kuse <casey.jay@gte.net>
To: DYARNES@aol.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [115782] Re: QRPP Arrives in Tucson
Message-ID: <3C260DFC.E54392C6@gte.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

You're lucky! Haven't seen any come to Florida yet. Wonder if it will get here before Christmas? Would be a nice Christmas present.

72, Donn, WB4ZWT

66 and still learning

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> My Fall issue of QRPp arrived today--Leaping lizards Batman, am I the first
> to get one??? Haven't seen anyone else post that they received theirs, but
> then again I don't seem to be getting all the mail from QRP-l. AOL is up to
> its old tricks again. Anyway folks, as Doug promised, the issue is floating
> around out there with all that Xmas mail. Lots of good stuff as usual, so
> keep your eyes open for the "mailperson"!
>
> 72 de Dave W7AQK

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 11:41:48 -0600
From: "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>
To: hamjoel@juno.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [115783] Re: Lettuce not... bash...
Message-ID: <3C26175C.9BBF0AD8@att.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Joel,

Try not to be so hard on those of us with the Extra license. We are, on the whole, pretty nice guys . . . and few if any of my acquaintance feel any "superiority" in having the license. "Pride" yes - but that is also what I feel about many accomplishments.

But the watts that come from my station are no different from the watts from any other station . . . no one knows my license class from examining my signals. What I say and how I behave on the air, the quality of my signal - all those are far more important than license class. And all hams have equal opportunity to put out excellent signals, be gentlemen on the air, and mind their mouths.

72/73, George W5YR - the Yellow Rose of Texas QRP-L 1373 NETXQRP 6
Fairview, TX 30 mi NE of Dallas in Collin county EM13qe SOC 262
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> perceived adverse decisions is to get the extra licence...This
> automatically puts u above the rest and no one will muck with u....

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 12:11:33 -0600
From: Mike <mmorrow@companet.net>
To: hamjoel@juno.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [115784] Re: Lettuce not... bash...
Message-ID: <3C261E55.BC8@companet.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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Mike / KK5F

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 10:24:04 -0800
From: "Roger A. McCarty" <rmccarty@earthlink.net>
To: "'Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion'" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [115785] RE: Windows XP
Message-ID: <000501c18bdf\$008727f0\$cc9ccd18@RAMcCarty>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="us-ascii"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Another fwiw, My experiences with XP EXACTLY duplicates Dean's descriptions to the letter. I have used EVERY OS from the time before Windows existed and I find XPpro to be the most reliable and user friendly OS I have used to date (including OS2 and Linux).

On the other hand I really HATE what MS is doing with this Gestapo Big

Brother online registration process. I hope this blows up in their face.
My heart cannot bleed for one of the richest men on the planet crying
about software theft.

-----Original Message-----

From: owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU] On Behalf
Of Dean Rachwitz
Sent: Sunday, December 23, 2001 7:45 AM
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion
Subject: RE: Windows XP

For what its worth, I do this for a living (maintain computers and
networks). I though I'd offer my experiences with XP.

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 04:18:07 -0500
From: Ed Lawson <elawson@lawson-philpot.com>
To: drachwitz@home.com
Cc: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [115786] Re: Windows XP
Message-ID: <20011223041807.4a03e33a.elawson@lawson-philpot.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

On Sun, 23 Dec 2001 08:44:42 -0700
"Dean Rachwitz" <drachwitz@home.com> wrote:

> Again, I highly recommend XP. My eXperiences with it have been great, and
> the new features it offers are really enjoyable.

I'm sure you were happy to discover every XP machine on the Net is an open book
until the patch is applied.

Ed Lawson

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 13:54:15 -0500
From: "John Paul Keon" <jpkeon@nc.rr.com>
To: <mmorrow@companet.net>
Cc: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [115787] Re: Lettuce not... bash...

Message-ID: <010401c18be3\$38840de0\$6501a8c0@nc.rr.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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JohnPaul/AB4PP
p.s. of course with their 1x2 and 2x1 vanity calls they PAID FOR!!!!

----- Original Message -----
From: "Mike" <mmorrow@companet.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Sunday, December 23, 2001 1:11 PM
Subject: Re: Lettuce not... bash...

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> timer's call under the vanity program too!
>
> Mike / KK5F

Date: Sat, 22 Dec 2001 19:00:21 -0000
From: "TC Dufresne" <tdufresne@neb.rr.com>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [115788] 2N2-40 rig and possible solutions to problems...
Message-ID: <005c01c18b1a\$e7c14c60\$89b41c41@neb.rr.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;

charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

....from a complete newbies' point of view.

I think some builders may be getting very confused, what with different designs, and different parts labeling, upgrades, the QRPP vrs the Yahoogroups schematics...etc etc

Is there a way to "cut through" this confusion? Maybe.... I suggest using the QRPP article, and maybe subbing the xtalk filter and RX mute for Jims newest variable filter and mute design, only because of the incredible gain. Obviously, be aware of and use the errata sheet for the QRPP article available on Jims website.

There are a lot of very good variations, even some Jim designed, but I think some of us are getting more and more confused as a result.

Some of us newbies can't operate "on the fly" and make changes or make assumptions like the very seasoned and senior QRP'ers can, and I think a lot are getting dismayed and frustrated.

Jim's design from the QRPP article TO ME is the easiest and makes the most sense to follow, keeping in mind the observations noted above. If you use his original parts designations, (ie, T1, C22, etc) the original placement of parts, and original concept, it will work, and work GREAT!

I have the proof here. Believe me, if I can do it, so can others. I'm sure I will get some flames from those who like to "go out on there own" and build it "their way", so flame on. There are some of us out there who can put together anything without reading the instructions too. (and those that can!)

All I am saying, it that the original design as presented in the QRPP does work. Like painting by the numbers, it won't look the the box unless you use the right colors.

Just my opinion,

Tom

Proud owner of a 2N2-40 --- "It's the only rig I use anymore!"

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 13:22:09 -0600
From: "Rob Matherly" <kc0bom@arrl.net>
To: <jpkeon@nc.rr.com>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [115789] Re: Lettuce not... bash...
Message-ID: <00b901c18be7\$2026bb40\$7411a541@intern01>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hey now.... I've only had to take a 5wpm test and I copy somewhere around 18wpm, so your blanket statement doesn't cover all us that didn't have to take a "high speed" test :^)

72/73/oo

Rob, kc0bom

ARRL; FP Qrp -330; Live-Wire #442; IA QRP #143; SOC #497; QRPp-I #19

Visit my website! <http://www.qsl.net/kc0bom>

AIM - kc0bom, jimrob4 MSN - jimrob@jetnetinc.net

----- Original Message -----

From: John Paul Keon <jpkeon@nc.rr.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Sunday, December 23, 2001 12:54 PM
Subject: Re: Lettuce not... bash...

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To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Sunday, December 23, 2001 1:11 PM
Subject: Re: Lettuce not... bash...

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Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 12:41:30 -0700
From: "Rod N0RC" <rod@n0rc.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [115790] on OS Security
Message-ID: <000f01c18be9\$d2672360\$6401a8c0@greyrock>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Before another round of OS security bashing gets started, consider
that they all can have problems.

Check out www.cert.org

UNIX is not immune to trouble either:

http://www.cert.org/tech_tips/AUSCERT_checklist2.0.html
<http://www.cert.org/advisories/CA-2001-35.html>

I not defending or slamming any OS, They are all complex, they all
have problems from time to time.

So keep your analysis and comments well balanced and mindful of ALL
the facts.

Happy Holidays
73, Rod N0RC
Ft Collins, CO

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 14:53:21 -0500 (EST)
From: wb0wao@hotmail.com (Dennis Ponsness)
To: kc0bom@arrl.net
Cc: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU (Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion)
Subject: [115791] Re: Lettuce not... bash...
Message-ID: <26917-3C263631-5979@storefull-267.iap.bryant.webtv.net>
Content-Disposition: Inline
Content-Type: Text/Plain; Charset=US-ASCII
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7Bit
MIME-Version: 1.0 (WebTV)

Well, as a proud "extra lite", I will tell you one thing... I have been licensed since 1977, long before Novice Enhancement or the new license structure. I can still remember tuning around the EXTRA portion of 75m and listening to all the "cream of the crop" go on and on... WORSE than 11m on a Saturday nite. The class of license DOES not make a good op, nor does some "magic number" of CW ability. So, I am really sorry if you think ham radio has gone to hell because of the new structure, but hey - guess what? It hasn't and it won't. If you are that upset about it, then I suggest that you sell all your gear and take up another hobby!

Ready for the Flames!!!!

72 es oo

Dennis - WB0WAO

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 14:13:06 -0600
From: "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>
To: wb0wao@hotmail.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [115792] Re: Lettuce not... bash...
Message-ID: <3C263AD2.58353AA5@att.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Dennis, I don't know where you were tuning when you heard the "11 meters on a Saturday night" stuff, but the Extra assignment on 75 is from 3750 to 3775 KHz and up. I hear very few stations at all in that region most of the time.

The Advanced region is from 3775 and up.

On the other hand, above about 3850 where the General region begins is where the nonsense usually is found, reaching a peak above 3900 and up.

I think that a lot of folks have in mind that what they hear, and dislike, on 75 is all coming from "Extras" when the exact opposite is much more likely.

The Extra portion of the band is NOT 3850 and above and I suspect that very few of the operators in that region hold Extra licenses. Which is not to say that I have not heard some Extras talk and behave on the air in a shameless and inexcusable manner. But, seldom do I ever hear anything out of line in the Extra region that you named.

By the same token, General class licensees as a group are not responsible for the trash on the mid to upper end of 75. It is just as incorrect and unfair to fault that class of operator as it is to fault Extra class operators, even when the license class frequency assignment is misunderstood.

72/73, George W5YR - the Yellow Rose of Texas QRP-L 1373 NETXQRP 6
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Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 13:07:00 -0500
From: "Walt Amos" <k8cv@netzero.net>
To: <DYARNES@aol.com>
Subject: [115793] Re: QRPp Arrives in Tucson
Message-ID: <000301c18bf1\$170de3d0\$55e15aa6@walatk8cv>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 8bit

This is a new XP box here! It runs super! It does NOT run anything DOS based. :-(All contest programs are DOS based, so is my logging program.

Bummer. But as luck would have it, I have a 98 based laptop so can just use that for DOS crap and also just about everything else. This XP thing is a nerd machine with nice pretty icons and lots of messages " you can't go there " or " you can't do that " and it needs all new utilities. The hard drive is NOT viewable with a boot disk, not even a old 98 boot disk! It is a NTSB formatted hard drive, what ever that is. It is not for hams unless someone much smarter then " moir " as miss piggy says!

Walt Amos K8CV Royal Oak, MI.

----- Original Message -----

From: <DYARNES@aol.com>

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Sent: Sunday, December 23, 2001 12:47 AM

Subject: QRPp Arrives in Tucson

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> around out there with all that Xmas mail. Lots of good stuff as usual, so
> keep your eyes open for the "mailperson"!
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> Had a very nice visit by phone with Jay, W5JAY the other evening. He was
> just checking to see if I was hiding under a rock or something. I kinda
> slowed down lately because of work (it's budget time folks!), and then my
> gall bladder and I parted company at the end of November.
>
> Happy holidays to all my friends here on QRP-L!
>
> 72 de Dave W7AQK
>
> P.S. Anybody out there thinking they want to upgrade to Windows XP, I
> suggest you think twice! I tried it and it was a disaster. It seemed like
> everything had a conflict with it. Then I couldn't uninstall it, so had to
> reformat my drive. That is no easy task either. Caveat Emptor re Windows XP!
>
> D.
>

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Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 13:54:01 -0700
From: "Michael Connor" <nq7k@mtarvin.com>
To: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [115794] SANTA talking to kids on 18.147!
Message-ID: <002401c18bf3\$f9b13aa0\$420c3e40@mtarvin>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Its the CUTEST thing; kids talking to W6S, SANTA...
he'll be on 14.270 at 0000Z...

Check it out...:-)
Mike
NQ7K

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 16:03:56 -0500
From: "Ron Polityka" <wb3aal@fast.net>
To: ". QRP-L" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>, ". NJ QRP-L" <njqrp@njqrp.org>
Subject: [115795] Sale = The 3rd Annual QRP Contest Calendar for 2002
Message-ID: <00db01c18bf5\$56a84040\$3f3d5cd1@wb3aal>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

The Eastern PA QRP Club is selling the 3rd Annual QRP Contest Calendar for 2002. This color picture calendar has an Appalachian Trail theme.

The calendar will list all QRP contests and contests with QRP categories. It will be a fold out style that you can hang on your wall next to your rig. There is Web site and Contest Manager listings.

The calendar is being mailed out now. The cost will be \$13.50 for US and \$15.50 for DX. This will include the

shipping cost.

For more information please check www.n3epa.org .

72 & 73

Good DXing

Ron Polityka
n3epa@fast.net

vvv Eastern Pennsylvania QRP Web Page vvv
<http://www.n3epa.org>

Eastern Pennsylvania QRP Club Call
N3EPA E-mail address: n3epa@fast.net

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 16:09:55 -0500
From: "George Osier" <gosier@twcny.rr.com>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [115796] HK3AXY700 mw ...# 113 !!
Message-ID: <000701c18bf6\$2c4639a0\$0e714342@twcny.rr.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
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Hello All !!!

Just worked Dan , HK3AXY on 28041 a few minutes ago , 579 here in NNY with
700 mw for # 113 !!!!

73s
George , N2JNZ / QRPp

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 16:07:47 -0500
From: Hank Kohl K8DD <k8dd@arrl.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [115797] Re: Windows XP

Message-ID: <5.1.0.14.2.20011223160408.01db1510@mail.arenet.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

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>Ed Lawson

When you use XP, or any other O/S that most likely has security holes
in it, behind a good firewall (like most corporate networks) it's
really not a problem. Even at home I would not consider leaving my
PC('s) connected without the virus-checking-bullet-proof proxy /
firewall box over in the corner!

73 Hank K8DD

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 16:29:37 -0500
From: "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [115798] Re: Windows XP
Message-ID: <07c701c18bf8\$ef6357e0\$010044c0@chartermi.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Boy I second that Hank!

When I first considered the prospect of a high-speed, always on connection,
I quickly built up a firewall and had it working BEFORE I got connected.

I'm glad I did. I made sure there was good logging on the firewall and was
amazed at the number of port scans and probes for various trojans I logged.
I always knew the Internet was a wild and wooly place, until then, I hadn't

realized just how wild.

With the demise of @Home, I had to change providers. I was very surprised at the difference. With @Home, I was allocated an address from the 'cable modem' block of addresses. Hackers are always looking for a fast, always up connection from which to launch attacks, and this was the first place they looked.

My new provider has addresses in that range, too. But interestingly, I was allocated an address from a class B network. Whether because it's a class B network, or because my new provider is a little more careful at their gateway, I don't know, but the number of knocks at my door has dropped significantly.

Oh, they are still poking around. Just a few minutes ago someone was poking at the portmapper address, but now I sometimes can go for hours without logging an attempt. That NEVER happened with @Home. When Code Red was in full bloom, it was unusual to go for 2 or 3 minutes without an attempt.

I don't think many folks realize just how many people are out there looking for a weakness. If you are connected all the time, especially if you are connected over a high speed connection, you absolutely need a firewall of some sort.

72/73 de WB8RCR <http://www.qsl.net/wb8rcr>
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----- Original Message -----

From: "Hank Kohl K8DD" <k8dd@arrl.net>
Subject: Re: Windows XP

> When you use XP, or any other O/S that most likely has security holes
> in it, behind a good firewall (like most corporate networks) it's
> really not a problem. Even at home I would not consider leaving my
> PC('s) connected without the virus-checking-bullet-proof proxy /
> firewall box over in the corner!

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 17:39:22 EST
From: IamSF5@aol.com
To: fpqrp-l@mpna.com
Cc: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [115799] Freedom fighters Christmas poem

Message-ID: <ad.158c429a.2957b71a@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

T'was the night before Christmas,
And all through the land, The patriots were hiding their guns in the sand.

The burp gun with spare parts (We greased it and oiled it) was hid in the
tank neath the ol'e toilet.
The black powder for pipe bombs and reloading ammo,
was stashed in the attic with the sling shot by Wammo.
The match heads and primers for things that go BOOM, were hid in the closet
in Moms sewing room.
Boobytrap switches and fuse for the rockets,
were ready for action when pulled from light sockets.
The depth charges and land mines were hid in the attic,
by the 30 shot rifle that goes Automatic.
Bazookas and mortars and trip flares and such,
were hid in the kitchen in the glass front hutch.
The tear gas and pepper to cause federal quandry,
were stashed with the Tide on the shelf with the laundry.
The bear traps and barbed wire and dead falls and briars,
were safe in the alley 'neath stacks of old tires.
The ground glass and poison and acid and darts,
were safe in the garage all marked "Bike Parts."
When federal Clause came with his warrant and sleigh,
to sack all the goodies before came the day,
he found only dollies, and sweetness and light, and left the troops smiling
and ready to fight.

Bob

WA2HQrp <tm>

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 15:41:05 -0700
From: William R Colbert <w5xe@juno.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [115800] Re: Phone spectrum land grab, as expected
Message-ID: <20011223.154109.-319095.2.w5xe@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Roger, did that in 68 when I sat for the Commercial
Radio Telegraph, in front of a real FCC examiner -
Started at 8 am, finished at 3 pm - 25 wpm plaintext,
16 gpm coded, and 20 wpm plain for the Extra, then

since I had a Conditional class ticket, took the elements 1,2, 5, 6, 7 and 8 plus the General, brand new Advanced (before they started giving them at all offices)and Extra. Oh yes, the reciprocal test was in place at that time - had to send at those speeds, too.

A friend (General) and I have been using 7122, 7145+/- and when conditions permit, around 3710 for regular schedules and I am hearing a number of others starting to use that areas as well so a lot of people will be displaced should that proposal go into effect.

And there are some ARRL senior officials that have come from Texas that won't do squat and haven't done squat even when they were director for the division, no help from that area. One reason to stay a member, and I thought about dropping my member ship, is to keep an eye on what they are doing and comment on same as much as possible.

73

Ray

Plan ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the ark.

Ray Colbert,W5XE,00TC#3618, SOWP#1064M,

NARTE-NCT2r SOC#78 qrp-arci5784 --

El Paso (Far West), Texas

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 14:43:44 -0800
From: "Mike Standbridge" <ve7mst@goldcity.net>
To: "QRP-1" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [115801] OT - sorry but I NEED HELP - T H A N K S
Message-ID: <001d01c18c03\$47dde700\$63dcc2cf@mike>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Gud QRP to everyone,
Especially to those fine people that sent me information the acquisition of a 2SC763 transistor. I'm expecting that I will get a couple this week and have the radio back on the air.
Best wishes from our house to yours for an outstanding holiday season. May peace, joy and happiness be yours for this day and always.

72 de VE7MST
Mike

Date: Sun, 23 Dec 2001 15:44:51 -0700
From: "Dean Rachwitz" <drachwitz@home.com>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [115802] OT: More XP info & links (long)
Message-ID: <000501c18c03\$6f7a96a0\$0100a8c0@mesa1.az.home.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I've had several responses to my last message on Windows XP, so I thought I'd post some links and other info.

- For a quick reference on the differences between XP Pro and Home editions, look here:

<http://www.windows2000faq.com/Articles/Index.cfm?ArticleID=20536>

- As you might imagine, Microsoft's website has tons of support info:

<http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=fh;EN-US;winxp>

- If you are worried about Windows Product Activation (WPA), or are just having trouble sleeping, read this excellent article:

<http://www.licenturion.com/xp/fully-licensed-wpa.txt>

Basically, it says that WPA does not send sensitive or personal information to Microsoft. It simply verifies that your copy of XP hasn't been installed on someone else's machine (even multi-billionaires are entitled to be paid for each of the products they sell). There are no Big Brother Bill tactics involved. I have found WPA to be completely painless, even when I had to reactivate following the replacement of my motherboard. Even over a dial-up connection, WPA takes just a few short minutes from start to finish. You are NOT required to register (which usually involves giving them your name, address, phone number, etc.) with Microsoft, by the way.

- Because XP is based on the Windows NT (and later 2K) kernel, older (usually DOS) programs, which directly access hardware, aren't likely to work. In order to run these programs, you should set up a dual-boot system with a dedicated FAT partition that you can boot to and run DOS programs. This really isn't difficult and here's an excellent article on the subject: <http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;en-us;Q306559> If you don't want to reformat to get multiple partitions, I have two words for you: Partition Magic

- XP has a built-in firewall, which, while simple, does the job for the vast majority of users. By default, it blocks all incoming traffic so most users can just turn it on and leave it. For more info, go here:

<http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;en-us;q283673> That, combined with up-to-date virus software, promptly applied OS patches and a dose of common sense is all that one needs to operate safely on the 'Net these days. My home machine (Win XP Pro since March) runs 24/7 on a cable modem with no virus infections or other hacks getting through.

- Regarding the recent news of a security hole in XP, not much out there is completely safe. It wasn't long ago that a serious security flaw was found in DNS, one of the oldest and most widely used programs on the Internet (and one critical to its operation). Nowadays, most security flaws are found by security professionals and patches (fixes) are issued before hackers can exploit them. Such is true of the XP flaw. The moral of the story is that like any other complex system (like your car, your house, your wife) you have to perform regular maintenance. I make regular trips to Windows Update to make sure I have applied any recent patches.

I hope this info helps.

A merry Christmas and happy New Year to all.

73,

Dean
K7ADN

End of QRP-L Digest 2414

